

## **Samuel Brown – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745**

Samuel Brown was born in Eastham in 1660. He first appears in the Eastham records when he married Martha Harding in 1683. He was chosen constable in 1690. He died in 1691 at age thirty-one just one month after his three year old daughter Martha died. Land grants to Samuel and his heirs continued until 1715.

1703

Granted to Samuel Brown, Josiah Cook and John Harding and their heirs a parcel of meadow on the southern side of Great Meadow. The dimensions indicate the grant was about two acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A167, M236.

1710

Granted to Samuel Brown about three acres of upland on the northerly side of Great Blackfish Creek. Bounds were indicated by stones and marked trees. PDF A225, M32, S102.

1711

Granted to Samuel Brown, Benjamin Young, Israel Young, John Young and Jonathan Young the eleventh lot out of twenty-four lots laid out at Great Island at Billingsgate. The dimensions given in the record were not complete but probably the lot was about seven acres like most of the other lots at Great Island. PDF T88.

Granted to Samuel Brown and his heirs about four acres of land on the northerly side of Blackfish Creek next to his earlier grant in this area. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T136.

Granted to Samuel Brown and his heirs two parcels of land containing about ten acres. Eight acres were on the northerly side of Blackfish Creek near Brown's house and land. Two acres were on the southwest side of his house. Bounds of both parcels were indicated by marked trees. PDF T136.



1715

Granted to Samuel Brown and his heirs three parcels of land containing about ten acres. One parcel of about three and one-half acres was on the northern side of his house lot. Another parcel was five acres on the northern side of Fresh Pond and near his other land. Another parcel was about one and one-half acres on the northern side of Blackfish Creek near his other land. All bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T250.

Granted to Samuel Brown and his heirs a wood lot near the Pond and near land of Jonathan Young. The lot dimensions of 100 pole by forty-eight pole indicate the wood lot was about thirty acres. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T302.

1722

Samuel Brown and Josiah Harding purchased from the Town for three pounds land on the easterly end of Lieutenant's Island. It was specified they had to always provide a way through the land for persons to pass. The size of the purchase was not included in the record. (This probably was a next generation Samuel Brown.)

The Eastham land owned by Samuel Brown or granted in his name to his heirs described in these records amounts to about sixty acres. By 1745 sixteen more Browns received Eastham land grants.